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			Also, up-gradation of FDDI, Noida in Uttar Pradesh would be undertaken.
9.	Environment Initiatives	200.00	Applicable to all India. 6 proposals pertaining to the Tamil Nadu approved.
10.	Mission Mode	10.00	Not applicable as the sub-scheme aims towards undertaking investment promotion activities and studies for development of leather sector.
11.	Establishment of Training Centre in Madhya Pradesh	24.85	Imlikheda in Madhya Pradesh.
	TOTAL	937.52	

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) and (e) There is no proposal at this time for establishment of Leather Goods Park in Kanpur as there is no approved sub-scheme in this regard for implementation during the Eleventh Five Year Plan under ILDP. In order to achieve technology up-gradation/modernization of leather units, the leather industries in Kanpur Region are availing the assistance under the sub-scheme, "Integrated Development of Leather Sector" (IDLS) with an outlay of Rs. 253.43 crores being implemented in the Eleventh Plan. Further, leather industries situated in Kanpur Region could apply for assistance under the sub-scheme, 'Environmental Initiatives' in order to upgrade/install Common Effluent Treatment Plants (CETPs). Under the Human Resource Development sub-scheme the Central Government has approved placement linked training programme for leather industry personnel of Kanpur. Fiscal incentives to boost export of leather and leather products including import of specified machinery at concessional rate of 5% duty, duty free import of critical inputs to the extent of 3% of Freight on Board (FOB) value of previous year export and financial assistance under Market Access Initiative and Market Development Assistance schemes are also available for the Kanpur based leather industries.

Indian trade with Gulf countries

†880. SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the status of Indian trade with Gulf countries during the last three years;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) whether there has been any growth in Indian trade with Gulf countries in the current year;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to augment trade with Gulf countries during the next Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) and (b) The trade turnover between India and Gulf countries has increased fourfold during the last three years, as indicated below:—

Value in US$ Million

Year	Trade turnover
2005-2006	21,629.16
2006-2007	18,020.25
2007-2008	84,929.12

(c) There has been tremendous growth in India's trade with Gulf Countries in the current year. Exports to Gulf countries during April-October, 2008 has gone upto US$ 19,060.80 million as compared to US$ 13,512.74 million during the corresponding period last year *i.e.* 2007. Similarly, imports have gone upto US$ 48,662.74 million from US$ 36,644.17 million, when compared to the same period in the last year.

(d) India is negotiating a Free Trade Agreement with Gulf Countries and two rounds of negotiations have been held. The Free Trade Agreement is aimed at giving a boost to trade and investment with Gulf Countries. Exchange of visits by Trade delegations from India and Gulf is encouraged to explore the business opportunities. Indian Trade Promotion Organisation also conducts Trade Fairs and Exhibitions in Gulf Countries to sensitize the business people in Gulf with trade opportunities available in India.

Impact of organised retailing on unorganised retail trade

881. SHRI N.R. GOVINDARAJAR: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Association of Indian Chamber of Commerce (ASSOCHAM) has constituted a Regulatory Authority for the retail sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Indian Council for Research on International Economy Relations (ICRIER) have been entrusted to make a study on the impact of organised retailing and unorganised retail trade;

(d) whether ICRIER has submitted its report to Government; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?